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REMARKS

The allowance of claims 19 and 20 is noted with appreciation as is the indication that claims 6 and 9 contain allowable subject matter. Changes have been made in the claims in a sincere attempt to have all claims in condition for allowance. Claims 1, 2, 5 to 7, 9 to 11, 13, 15 to 17 have been amended. Claims 3, 4, 8, 12, and 14 have been canceled. New claims 21 to 25 have been added. Thus, the claims before the Examiner are claims 1, 2, 5 to 7, 9 to 11, 13, 15 to 25.

Claims 1 to 18 were rejected under the second paragraph of 35 USC 112 as indefinite for containing the phrase "that moves relatively in a fluid." No pending claim contains that language mooting the rejection.

The rejection of claims 1 to 5, 7, and 8 under 35 USC 102 as anticipated by Honda et al. '327, if applied to the claims as amended, is respectfully traversed. The article claims are now directed to a hollow casting having an internal surface with continuous dimples of a certain characterization. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims as revised patentably distinguish over Honda et al. '327.

Honda et al. '327 shows a surface treated material having a number of impressions on the outer surface of a cylindrical tube

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being an electrophotographical layer formed on a metal member; the metal member may be produced by extrusion and cold draw working; see column 12, lines 43 to 57. The reference, however, has no discussion or mention of the formation of continuous dimples on an inner surface of a hollow casting. Accordingly, the rejection should be withdrawn.

With respect to the changes in claim 1, the Examiner will note that the specification at page 22, line 12, to page 23, line 25, particularly page 23, lines 22 to 25 and original claims 3 and 4 (now canceled) support calling the article a hollow casting. Page 21, lines 1 and 2, support the statement in claim 1 that the entire dimples and the edges are formed to be smooth. Compare for example, Figs. 6(a), 6(b), 8(a) and 8(b) of the instant case with Honda et al. '327 Fig. 4. The claims are therefore believed patentably to define over the reference and to be in condition for allowance.

The Examiner is thanked for acknowledging receipt of the certified copies of the priority documents and for listing references provided with Information Disclosure Statements.

In view of the foregoing revisions and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the case is in immediate condition for allowance and a USPTO paper to those ends is earnestly solicited.

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The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned if additional changes are required in the case prior to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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